

Simple Quantum Paramagnet, Canonical Ensemble

Origin of magnetic moments:

Electron spin and orbital angular momentum

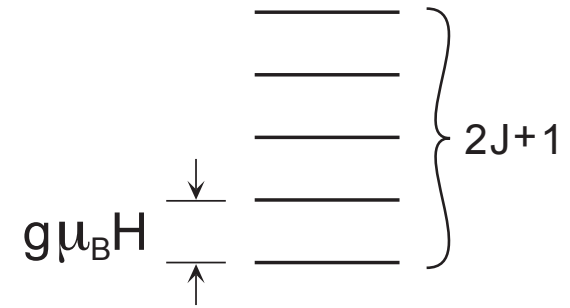
$$\vec{S} + \vec{L} \equiv \vec{J} \quad \vec{\mu} = g_J \mu_B \vec{J} \quad \mu_B \equiv e\hbar/2m_e c$$

Nuclear angular momentum

$$\vec{I} \quad \vec{\mu} = g_I \mu_N \vec{I} \quad \mu_N \equiv e\hbar/2m_p c$$

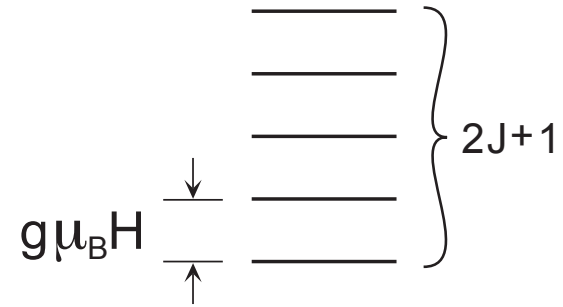
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$$Z_1(T, H) = \sum_{m=-J}^J e^{-\epsilon_m/kT} = \sum_{m=-J}^J (e^\eta)^m = \frac{\sinh[(J + \frac{1}{2})\eta]}{\sinh[\frac{1}{2}\eta]}$$

$$\eta \equiv \frac{g\mu_B H}{kT} = \frac{\text{level spacing}}{kT}$$

Note $Z_1 = Z_1(\eta)$ $Z = Z_1(\eta)^N = Z(\eta)$ at fixed N

$$p(m) = e^{-\epsilon_m/kT} / Z_1 = e^{\eta m} / Z_1$$

$$\langle \mu \rangle = \sum_m \frac{(g\mu_B m) e^{\eta m}}{Z_1} = g\mu_B \left(\frac{1}{Z_1} \frac{\partial Z_1}{\partial \eta} \right)$$

$$\equiv g\mu_B J B_J(\eta) \quad M = N \langle \mu \rangle = g\mu_B N J B_J(\eta)$$

$$B_J(\eta) = \frac{1}{J} \left(\frac{1}{Z_1} \frac{\partial Z_1}{\partial \eta} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{J} \left\{ \left(J + \frac{1}{2} \right) \coth \left[\left(J + \frac{1}{2} \right) \eta \right] - \frac{1}{2} \coth \left[\frac{1}{2} \eta \right] \right\}$$

This is called the “Brillouin Function”.

$$\coth x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{x}{3} \quad x \ll 1$$

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} B_J(\eta) = \frac{J+1}{3} \eta$$

$$\coth x \rightarrow 1 + 2e^{-2x} \quad x \gg 1$$

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} B_J(\eta) = 1 - \frac{e^{-\eta}}{J}$$

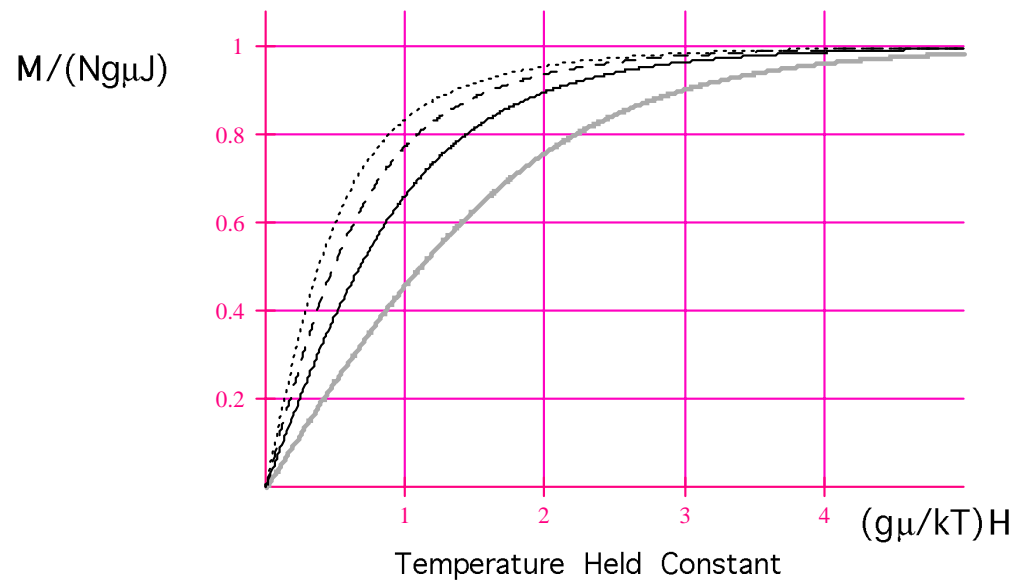
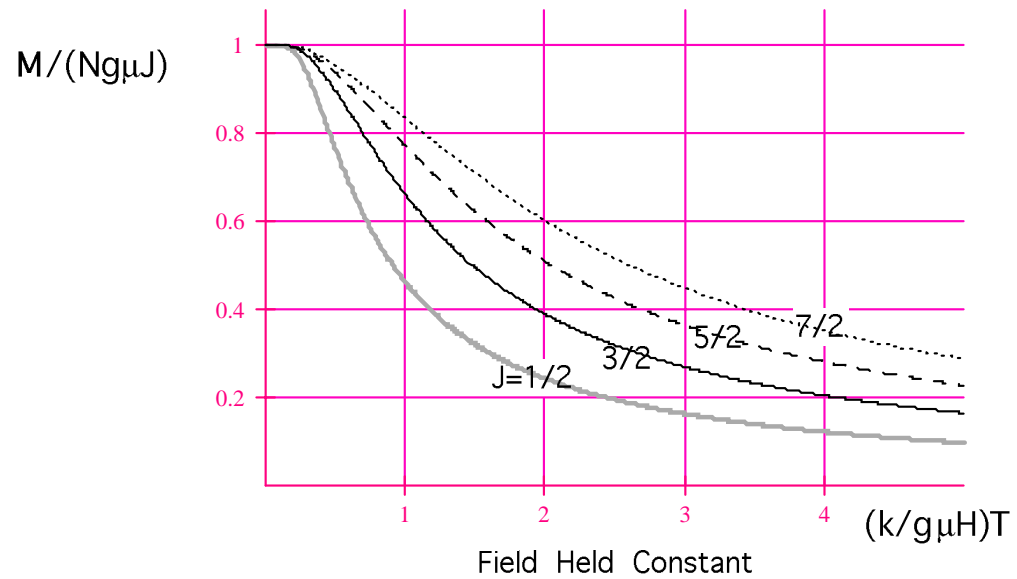
$$M \rightarrow N \frac{(g\mu_B)^2 J(J+1)}{3} \frac{H}{kT}$$

High T (Curie Law)

$$\rightarrow N g\mu_B J \left(1 - \frac{1}{J} e^{-\eta} \right)$$

Low T (Energy Gap)

MAGNETIZATION OF A QUANTUM PARAMAGNET



Note: T and H enter only through $\eta \equiv \frac{g\mu_B H}{kT}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial H}\right)_T = \frac{\eta}{H} \quad \left(\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial T}\right)_H = -\frac{\eta}{T}$$

We now show that this $\Rightarrow U = 0$.

$$dU = TdS + HdM$$

$$= T \left(\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_H dT + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial H} \right)_T dH \right) + H \left(\left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \right)_H dT + \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial H} \right)_T dH \right)$$

$$= \underbrace{\left(T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_H + H \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \right)_H \right)}_0 dT + \underbrace{\left(T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial H} \right)_T + H \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial H} \right)_T \right)}_0 dH$$

$$= 0 \text{ for all paths } \Rightarrow U = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_H + H \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \right)_H &= T \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_H}_{S'(\eta)(-\eta/T)} + H \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial H} \right)_T}_{S'(\eta)(\eta/H)} \\
&= -\eta S'(\eta) + \eta S'(\eta) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

A similar expansion shows that the other term is also zero.

Internal Energy

$$dU = \delta Q + \delta W = TdS + HdM$$

$dU \equiv$ adiabatic ($\delta Q = 0$) work

$$\delta Q = TdS, \quad \delta Q = 0 \Rightarrow dS = 0 \Rightarrow dM = 0 \Rightarrow dU = 0$$

$dU = 0$ for any change: $U = 0$ for this model

But $E \equiv N \langle \epsilon \rangle = -HM \neq 0$!!

Energy = energy to create H field ①

+ energy to assemble M ②

+ energy to move M into H ③

- ① does not appear when using $dW = HdM$.

- ② We did not create the $\vec{\mu}$. They do not interact.
 $\Rightarrow U = 0$ in the current example.

- ③ $-\vec{H} \cdot \vec{M}$, energy of macroscopic moment in \vec{H}
equals $N \langle \epsilon \rangle$ in the current example.

So what's the result?

$$\langle \mathcal{H} \rangle^{\text{S. M.}} \neq U^{\text{Thermo}}$$

$$= U^{\text{assembly}} + (-\vec{H} \cdot \vec{M})^{\text{position}} \quad (\text{for } \delta W = H dM)$$

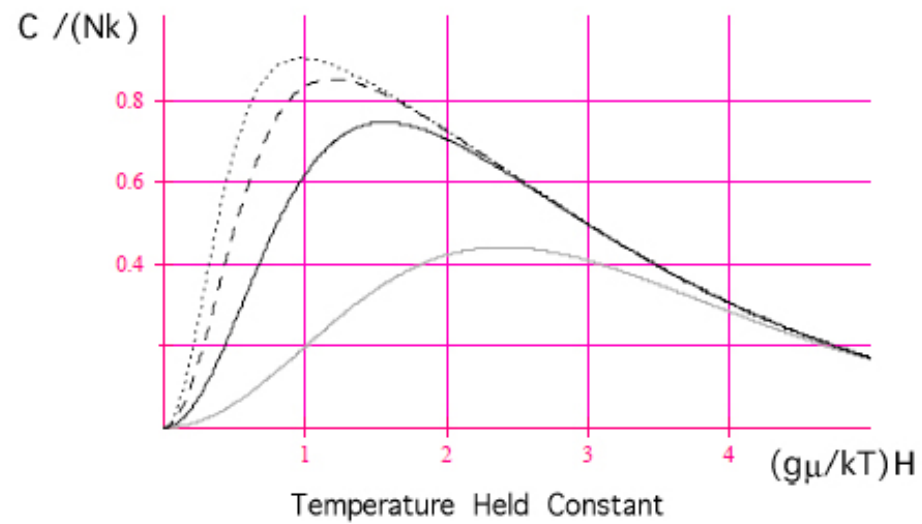
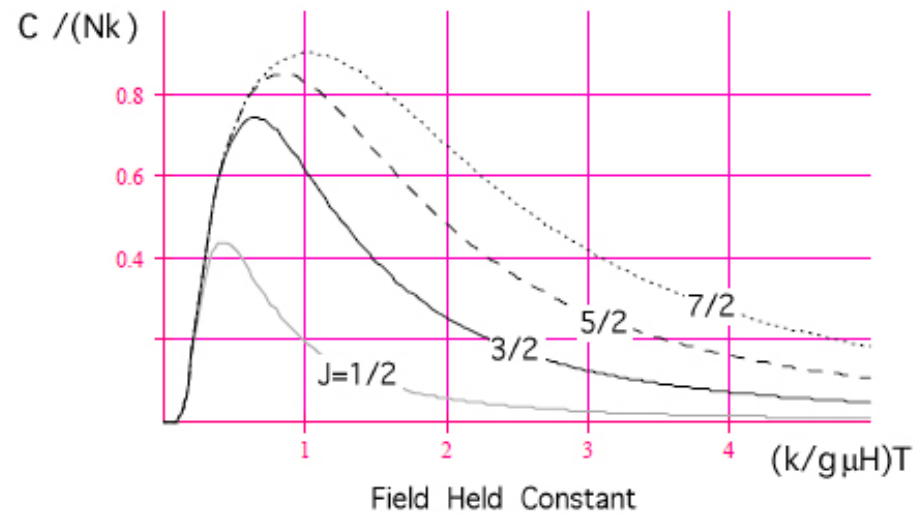
$$\langle \mathcal{H} \rangle = -\frac{1}{Z} \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial \beta} \right)_H = -\frac{1}{Z} \frac{dZ}{d\eta} \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \beta} \right)_H}_{\substack{M/g\mu_B \\ g\mu_B H}} = -HM \quad \checkmark$$

$$C_M \equiv \left(\frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_M = T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_M = 0 \text{ since } S = S(M)$$

$$C_H \equiv \left(\frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_H = \frac{1}{T} \left(\underbrace{dU}_0 - HdM \right)_H = -H \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \right)_H$$

$$= \underline{NkJ\eta^2 B'_J(\eta)}$$

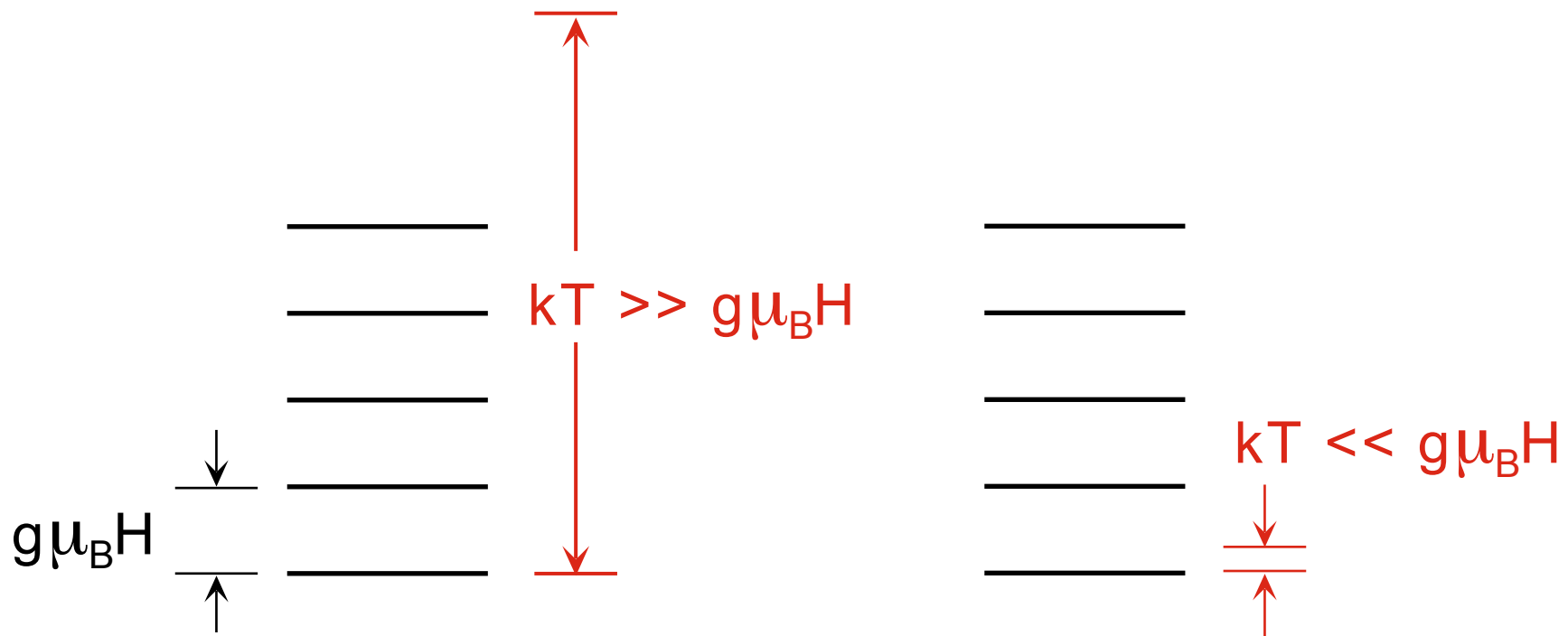
HEAT CAPACITY OF A QUANTUM PARAMAGNET



Entropy of a Quantum Paramagnet

- When is $-kT \ln Z \neq F$?
- How is a paramagnet like a sponge?

HIGH AND LOW TEMPERATURE BEHAVIOR OF A QUANTUM PARAMAGNET



ENERGY LEVELS ALMOST
EQUALLY POPULATED,
CURIE LAW BEHAVIOR

MOMENT ALMOST MAXIMUM,
ENERGY GAP BEHAVIOR

$$S(kT \ll g\mu_B H) \rightarrow Nk \ln(1) = 0$$

$$S(kT \gg g\mu_B H) \rightarrow Nk \ln(2J + 1)$$

$$Z_1 = \sum_{m=-J}^J (e^\eta)^m \quad \eta \equiv g\mu_B H/kT$$

Try

$$-kT \ln Z = F = \underbrace{U}_0 - TS \Rightarrow S = k \ln Z = Nk \ln Z_1$$

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$$S(kT \ll g\mu_B H) \rightarrow Nk \ln(1) = 0 \quad \underline{NkJ(g\mu_B H/kT) \text{ wrong!}}$$

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In the derivation of the canonical ensemble we found

$$-kT \ln Z = \langle E_1 \rangle - TS_1 \text{ where } \langle E_1 \rangle = \langle \mathcal{H}(\{p, q\}) \rangle$$

Then we set $\langle E_1 \rangle = U$. But in the paramagnet $\langle E_1 \rangle = U - HM$, thus

$$-kT \ln Z = U - HM - TS = G(T, H) \text{ for our model.}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = k \ln Z - HM/T \xrightarrow[T \rightarrow 0]{} \frac{Nk \ln Z_1 - H(Ng\mu_B J)/T}{T}$$

In general for magnetic systems, even when $U \neq 0$,

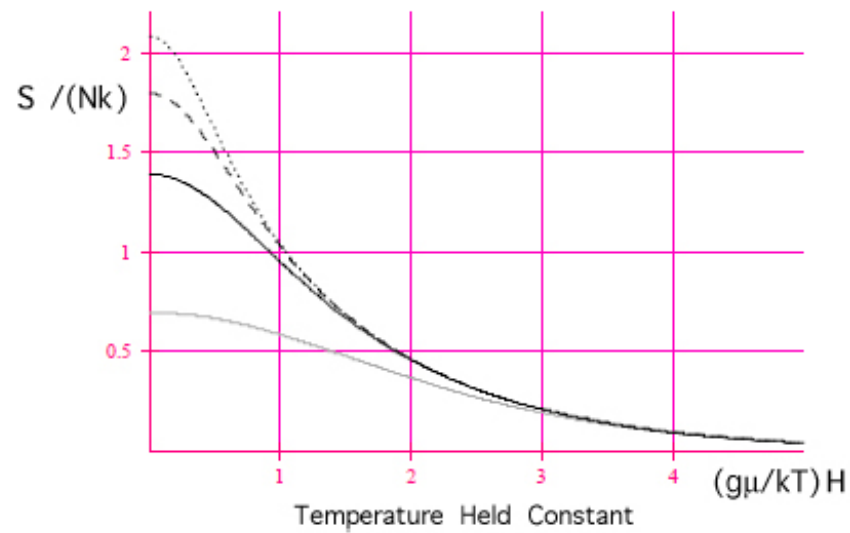
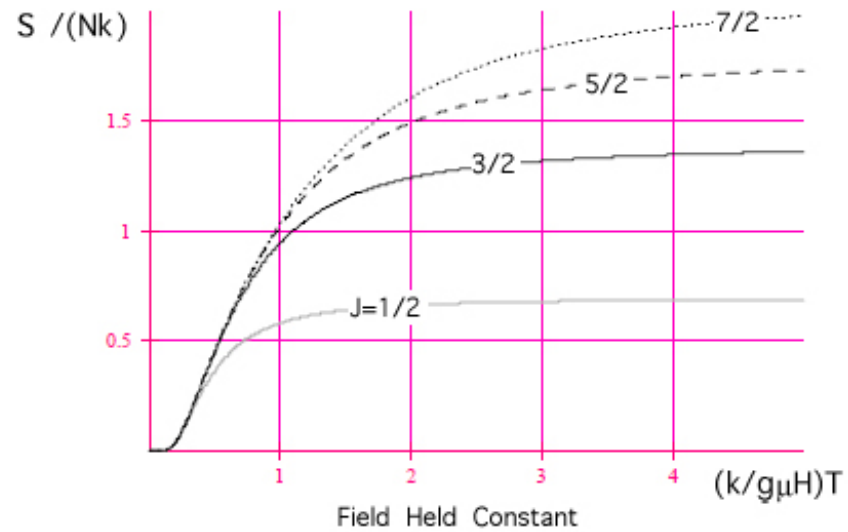
$$dG = -SdT - MdH$$

$$G(T, H) = -k_B T \ln Z$$

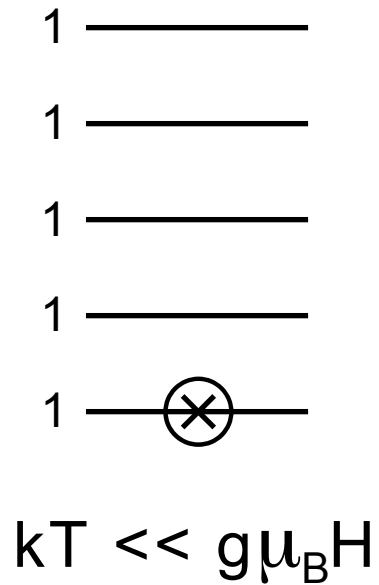
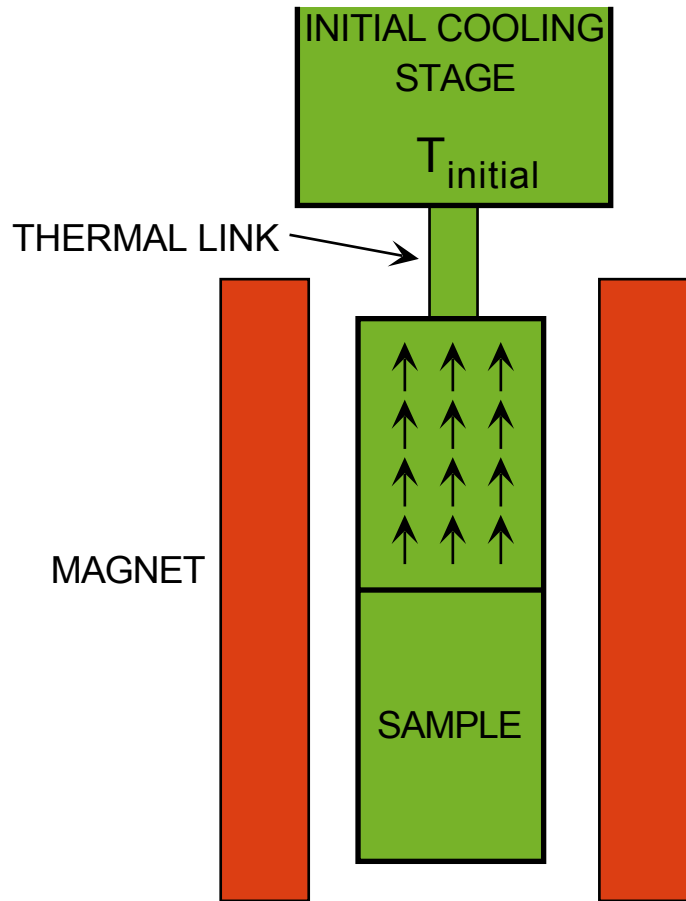
$$M(T, H) = - \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial H} \right)_T$$

$$S(T, H) = - \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_H$$

ENTROPY OF A QUANTUM PARAMAGNET



ADIABATIC DEMAGNETIZATION (MAGNETIC COOLING)



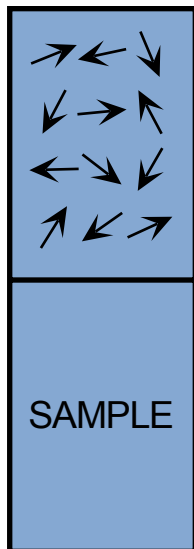
$$H = H_{\text{initial}}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S_M \sim 0 \\ S_S \text{ high} \end{array} \right\} S_{\text{total}}$$

$$T_S = T_{\text{initial}}$$

ADIABATIC DEMAGNETIZATION (MAGNETIC COOLING)

INITIAL COOLING
STAGE
 T_{initial}



$$2J+1 \text{ --- } \otimes \text{ ---}$$

$$kT \gg g\mu_B H$$

$$H \sim 0$$

$$S_M \sim Nk \ln(2J+1) \left. \vphantom{S_M} \right\} S_{\text{total}}$$

$$S_S \text{ low}$$

$$T_S \ll T_{\text{initial}}$$

Electronic Example, CMN

Cerium Manganese Nitrate



Ce^{+++} $J=5/2$ $T_{\text{ordering}} \sim 1.9 \text{ mK}$

Cools ^3He and samples therein to $\sim 2 \text{ mK}$.

Nuclear Example, Cu

Metallic Copper

Cu $I=3/2$ $T_{\text{ordering}} \sim 1 \mu\text{K}$

Cools Cu electrons and lattice to $\sim 10 \mu\text{K}$.

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